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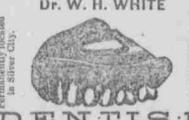
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Talunge's Tabernacle's Debt. The Rev. Dr. T. De Witt Talmage Sunday read from the pulpit of the Brooklyn Tabernacle an offer to pay the last \$10,000 of the floating debt of the church as soon as the remainder had been raised. The floating indebtedness amounts to \$55,000 and must be paid by

mount received this year from the sale

of postage stamps \$1,708,666 were for the

June 1 .- New York Advertiser. Carlisle Is No College Man. Carlisle is the only man in the Cloveland cabinet who is not college bred. Chicago Tribuno.

"See here," said Mr. Jefferson T. Short built by W. Doxford & Sons of Sunder- pecket and brought up 100 neatly en- lower middle class to make acquain

ture, mismaned a turret, running fore and aft. The vessel has no sheer, the deck reaching in a perfectly straight line fore and aft.

do and kick around for an hour in the ball outside before I can get inside. The scheme is to take most of the large boarding school buildings, which is ble to make not more than four calls a America would be called public schools. The plating, running inward from the week. water line to the turret deck is thick and "W printer won't take them back, because I have been to see him. I can't give them to anybody, because they cost too much to anybody, because they cost too much money. If I put em in my trunk, my stand idle after dark. It would be easy strong like that of the hull proper, so that the whole slein of the vessel above and below is of the same thickness, The engines are placed aft, as in

and crow are all abaft the engine room, that these fellows in the departments, out here.-London Letter. but the captain and officers are placed as usual under the bridge forward.—
Chicago Inter Ocean.

being hired by the public and getting their wages from the public, could be reached by the public."—Washington

Nitroglycerin In a Runaway. The smallest conscript in France is Louis Bernadat of Luret, in the depart-ment of the Allier. This martial per-W. W. Walters, the venturesome oung man who travels over the gas belt shooting gas wells with nitroglycerin, had a frightful experience in Muncie Thursday, and several people had close calls for their lives. Walters travels in sonage is barely 70 centimeters in height. which is just about 28 inches, or 3 feet 4 inches, in our measurement. Little Bernadat came of age this year and was a spring wagon, in which he transports summoned to draw his number out of the deadly explosive. He was approachthe conscription urn like his fellows of ing a gas well on Henry Martin's property, and a large crowd had assembled to see Miss Rose Martin drop the "go devil," which she did. The horses pulling the dangerous stuff got frightened and started to run off. Walters staid with them and pulled his revolver to shoot the same age, and he gravely presented himself as bidden. At first, when his name was called out, it was thought he was some child who had been brought in and was told to answer as a joke. But on looking at him again it was seen that he was a dwarf with a slight mustache.

As the top of his head did not reach them if they could not be stopped any other way. Fortunately the neck yoke on the tongue came loose, letting the to the level of the table on which the urn was placed, a gendarme in attendance tongue down, and stopped the team. The wagon was loaded with 100 quarts of the laid hold of him by the collar and lifted him up to draw his number. The father explosive at the time, and the result of an explosion would have made a catastrophe.—Cor. Indianapolis Journal. will not really be made to serve, is a well to do farmer, who is very fond of him and has refused several seductive offers from showmen who have wanted to exhibit him.—London Views.

Liability of Chicago Hotel Men. Travelers may be interested in the news to the effect that Theodore Bendit, a New York drummer, has recovered a judgment of \$40 against the Palmer House of Chicago for a coat and over-

coat which were stolen from his room.
Mr. Bendit brought his suit as a test
case for the benefit of commercial travelers who have to stay in Chicago.
It has been a well settled principle of I was staying at a certain hotel at Lakewood, but happening to be at another one nearly every day during one of my leisure hours of the afternoon, I had formed the habit of getting shaved law in most of the states for a long time that hotel keepers were liable for the loss One day the boss approached me with or theft of a guest's wearing apparel, an air at once mysterious and apologotic, provided the guest himself was not at and said confidentially: "I beg your parfault or guilty of negligence which led to the loss or theft. Indeed, in New don, sir; I thought you were a guest of

The moral was so obvious that I smiled against hotel keepers prior to 1883. "On a trip to Washington a few days ago," said Colonel W. F. Cody, "I had for a companion Sousa, the band leader. The death of Edward Beetham re-We had berths opposite each other. Early moves the last of the famous Light one morning as we approached the capbrigade who lived in Canada. The old

"'That's the greatest order Cleveland has just issued." war. He had a book presented to him by Lady Cardigan, containing his name, his regiment and the donor's name. He "What's that?" came from the opposite berth. "'Why, he's ordered all the office seek-

one of the memorable Six Hundred. He served in India and was at the relief of Lucknow, for which he received a medal, and he served in China as well. He commuted his pension seven years ago and came to Canada, but he has not been every man shouted: Ocean.

able to do much work, his long service in the army having broken down his con-stitution.—Toronto News, Third Term Talk. The most astounding report which is brought here, and Mr. Benedict was au-The death of the young son of Henry E. Abbey recalls the fact that the picthority for it, is the suggestion contained in the flattering remarks made by many of the office seekers to the president. A ture on the act drop of the Broadway theater has been fatal to everybody con-cerned, to say nothing of the effect upon the handsome playhouse. The pretty young girl in the stagecoach is a portrait of the daughter of T. Henry French, and again in 1806. Some of them try to explain why by asserting that party lines will be so changed, and he will have built she is dead. The dashing cavalier on the right is Matt Morgan, and he is dead. The boy in the foreground is a portrait up so strong a personal following, and it will be so necessary to be sure that his policy will be carried out, that the country will simply demand that he serve another term. Some of those who are not officeholders suggest this to him. He the bride and groom was grewsome. It is a theatrical superstition that certain never makes any reply to these sugges-tions, and what he thinks of them no one pictures are unlucky .- New York Meknows.-New York Cor. Philadelphia

Twins of Mixed Breed. A cow belonging to Mr. Weatherby, a well to do stockman of Manhattan, recently gave birth to a pair of singular another to break her arm, while a third animals. They resemble colts more than calves, although both possess radimentary horns and the hoofs of cattle, but in all other respects they seem to be young horses, having long flowers. However, Manager of Mass.) Homestend. young horses, having long, flowing manes and the tails of colts, only those latter are unusually long and bushy. One is a male, and the other is a female, and both are well developed, well shaped Columbian issue, within \$161,817 of the animals. The mother, however, seems treme south of Italy the earrings of the total sales in January of last year.— to know that there is something abnormal about them and has declined to allow them natural nourishment so that they are to be brought up by hand.—Philadelphia Times.

Back to His Farm Again. Ex-Secretary Rusk said to a Washing-ton reporter: "Yes, I shall go back on my farm in western Wisconsin and resume just where I left off four years ago. I follow farming not for sentiment pastime, but to make it pay, and so I shall start to raising bay and grass and breeding swine and cattle as of old. But I shall always look back with intense And yet it looks as if he could give pointers to his better educated colleagues.— life, for on the whole the time has been spent pleasantly and profitably

To Promote Matrimony Everybody in a hig city knows how hipbuilding is the turret deck steamer of Carriso, Tex., as he dived into his difficult it is for what may be called the land. England, which is practically a modification of the whaleback type now largely used on the great lakes. In the only vessel of this design yet built the hull is shaped like most other vessels. I want to see the eighty-fourth assistant to the practical instinct to the process of the pro from keel to water line, but from the secretary for the twenty-third assistant water line the shell is rounded off upward and inward until it terminates at the upper deck level in an upright strue-

The scheme is to take most of the large and turn them into meeting places for "What'll I do with these? I know the those anxious to marry-to let the chilwhaleback steamers, so that from the engine room to the forecastle there is a long, continuous hold, interfered with any by the necessary bulkheads. The boat's accommodations for engineers

The Fate of the Naronic. There is no information in regard to the nature of the disaster. The Naronic may have collided with a derelict, or there may have been a fire or an explosion on board, such as to compel her crew to abandon her and take to their boats only to perish in the severe storms

of Feb. 23, 24, or Feb. 27, 28. If the Naronic took the northern transatlantic route, which should not be followed after Jan. 14, she may have collided with an icoberg or field ice and have been sunk, as was the iron bark Adamantine on Feb. 27, in latitude 47 degrees 21 minutes north and longitude 47 degrees 39 minutes west. From this position the Naronie's boats may have been drifted by the prevailing winds and currents to the place where seen by the

There has been less ice and fog this season than usual, and it is strange that such a disaster could occur without leaving some more definite trace of its nature.—Hydrographic Office Bulletin.

Around the World on a Wheel. Thursday morning Thomas G. Allen of Ferguson, Mo., and William L. Sachletben of Alton, Ills., colled into St. Louis on their bicycles, having completed a tour of the world in three years. Both young men graduated from Washington university in 1890 and undertook the trip to China to improve their education. In their tour the cyclors crossed the Chinese empire from cast to west, a distance of 8,200 miles, and are the only white men his way. It was a case of love at first lished this feat since Marco Polo in the thirteenth century.

The Washington Memorial Association. An association has been formed in Washington for the purpose of preservto the loss or theft. Indeed, in New York state this principle has been so broad that the legislature has seen fit to the residence of the nation's greatest restrict it, presumably on account of the men, and also to suitably mark by tabheavy damages several times recovered let or otherwise the houses and places that are of chief interest to residents and strangers. It is called the Memorial association and was incorporated last year. Chief Justice Fuller is president.

-Washington Letter. Autonio Astora, an Italian living in Johnstown, Pa., attempted to remove ital I got a morning paper, and after his trunk and value from one boarding rustling it a few minutes I said to Sousa: house to another on Sunday and was arhouse to another on Sunday and was arrested and fined \$4 for desecration of the

ers rounded up at the depot and sent

curtains, and with one accord nearly of another first class armored battleship very man shouted:
"'What's that?" — Chicago Inter 2970,060. The new vessel will have a displacement of 14,000 tons and will be the butt. The length of the butt is also fitted with engines of 13,000 horsepower, giving a speed of 18 knots. Her principal armament will consist of four 67-ton | way be regulated to the length of neck gans mounted in barbettes. Altogether three new battleships, two first class cruisers, to be faster than any cruiser this style of shooting may give rise, affoat, and six 27-knot torpedo boat de- Boston Journal. large proportion of them, certainly more stroyers, with the prospect of another 14 than one-half, say to him that they expect should the first prove satisfactory, are should the first prove satisfactory, are to have the privilege of voting for him included in the programme of the admiralty for the coming year. - Westmin-

ster Gazette.

Distress In One House. A house at the north end might well have had the flag of distress floating over its roof for the past few weeks. The house is rented by three tenants, one ocenpying the L and one each the lower and upper tenements. In the L a few weeks since occurred the death of a beautiful mother and her eldest daughter from diphtheria, while a younger daughter was very ill with the disease. Since

Some persons process to be ame to guess approximately from what part of Italy a woman comes by the length of as one goes southward, and in the exwomen reach almost to the shoulders,-



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Abraham's Ark. Abraham Martin, an old colored man living in Atchison, Kan., believes that there is going to be another flood. He claims to have had a revelation in s dream, in which he was instructed to prepare an ark like Noah's of old. The size of the ark was designated in the dream, and although the quarters are too small for the elephants and giraffes the old man has confidence that the Lerd

will squeeze them inside in some way.

Martin has figured it out by the Bible that the flood will come next August. He expects the menagerie, however, to begin arriving in June, when animals fowls, etc., will present themselves at the ark in pairs. The old colored man believes implicitly in the "revelations" ho has had and has moved his family into

"The Lord wants the earth peopled entirely with black men," he said recently, "and no white people will be taken on the boat. Only a few very black negroes

The ark is built of old pieces of boards picked up about town. Martin has been over a year building the craft.-Cor. St. Louis Chronicle.

Wealthy and Lavish Mr. Crow. About one coming marriage there is a flavor of romance. A bridesmaid had been bespoken for a wedding. She was taken ill before the time set, and at the last moment was replaced by Miss Louise Doelger, a pretty girl, but unknown in society. At the ceremony sho met Mr. Moses Rockwell Crow, a gentlemen whose name would not reveal the fact that he is the possessor of \$8,-000,000 and a sort of Monte Cristo in sight. Moses was captured by the fair Louise, and she, after a suitable period spent in meditation and prayer, consented to become Mrs. Crow. No one

could resist so lavish an adorer. Mr. Crow lives armong the swells of Great Barrington, Masa, and gives dinners and dances. He is in the habit of supplying watches set with diamonds as favors in the german. He took his flances out to ride the other day in the finest brougham which money could bay, drawn by a pair of priceless horses, When she admired them at the end of the drive, he told her they were hers .-New York Cor. San Francisco Argonaut:

One hundrest and two kernels of gram, it is said, have been counted in one head of wheat grown near Cheney, Wash.

Getting Measured For a Gun, Light trousers, black frock coat, white the pearl gray gloves, form the correct costume for groom and ushers for a June wedding.

A fact which is not generally known outside of aporting circles is that a gunner who seeks to do the best work he is capable of requires to be measured for his gun in the same way as he would be "You should have seen the consternation. From almost every berth on the
car a head came out from between the
Chatham dockyard for the construction.

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Preparations have been commenced at Chatham dockyard for the construction. gun are adjusted by means of screws, adjusted by screws in the heel. The length and bend of the stock can in this

> Family Pariton. A shrewd Cape Cod farmer descanting lately on family quarrels said: 'I'm of the opinion of my wife. 'Go to a family party?' she says. 'Yes, I always go, pro-vided it isn't in my own family.' The as they lived under one roof, but when John Wing went to ranchin in Colorado and Jim Wing to makin nalls in Penn-

> sylvania they grew amazin fond of each This homely philosophy could be applied with equal force to nations.— Youth's Companion.

Wheery Hand Organs. It is usually supposed that the faint and squeaky hand organs played by weeful old women, seated on curbstones and wrapped in shawls, are decrepit from long service in the cause of art. That is not the case. Their builders intention-ally leave out notes, so that they shall her carrings. Italian carrings lengthen sound more mournful and touch more quickly the sensibilities of some people: Organs of this kind are known as "wheezers,"-New York Sun.

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